

Kentucky Internet2 Group Meeting
April 30, 2007, 2:00 – 4:00 PM
CPE Conference Room A, Frankfort, KY

PRESENT: Ann Riggs (Education), Mike Clark (KET), Ken Burdine (Windstream), Tim Smith (Frankfort Independent), Sandy Cook (KCTCS), Erskine Clinton (UK), Ron Cooper (COT), Rick Chlopan (KCTCS), Bert Brown (NKU), Enid Wohlstein (CPE/KYVL), Tim Sizemore (KDE), Bo Lowrey (JCPS), Gene Kleppinger (EKU), Jana Hickey (JCPS), Candy Zaluski (FCPS), Miko Pattie (CPE), Jeffrey Jones (Fayette CPS, ITV), Mike Dyre (UofL, ITV), Kevin Shively (UofL, ITV), Andrew Wright (UofL, ITV), Doyle Friskney (UK, Phone)

1. KEN Update – Ann Riggs

Ann reported that the installation is on target – 35 sites connected, 92 sites to be connected by June 2007. Peering between KPEN and KIH2 will be established soon so as to form a seamless KEN network. For 2007-08, funding will be provided for postsecondary and Workforce Investment. KEN Applications Subcommittee has selected 6 applications for the 2008-10 biennium budget requests. These are: 1. IP-based communications; 2. Online testing & assessment; 3. Assistive Technologies; 4. Data Transfer; 5. Interoperability; 6. P20 data warehouse. Recommendations are to be submitted to KEN ITC by August 15, 2007. Education Cabinet is going to submit 2 requests: KEN network expansion and TeleLearning (IP-based Communications).

2. Update on Kentucky Regional Optical Network – Mike Dyre

Mike reported that UofL has gone live April 23 with the new I2 backbone. They are testing peering with big sites such as Google, YouTube, MS to help relieve bandwidth issue on the commodity Internet..

3. NewNet & I2/NLR Merger Update – Kevin Shively & Rick Chlopan

By June 2009, the merger of I2 and National LambdaRail (www.internet2-nlr.org) will have a governance structure in place. During 2007 and 2009, there will be a new CEO, a 21-member board and 4 advisory councils (Architecture & Operations, Applications, Research, External Relations). Nominations to be members for these councils need to be submitted by May 7, 2007.

4. I2 Spring Conference Report – Erskine, Kevin, Rick, Bo, Tim & Miko

Our Kentucky presentation was well received. Al, Ann, Tim Smith and Jeff Jones joined the on-site presenters from Kentucky. We received an offer from MAGPI to help us with the K20 initiative during the presentation. Highlights included: NASA Goddard Earth Sciences & Technology Center, Tim Magner from Dept. of Education, Research Channel, Middleware, virtual worlds, Holocaust Museum... The quality of experience is what we need to aim for. We need to go beyond videoconferencing; collaboration and interactive multi-media applications are some of the I2 apps we need to work on. The issue of what other partners we should consider to be included in the I2 SEGP members is to be explored by Doyle and Miko.